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SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 3rd July 2014

No. 8233—III-SYS-YS-19/2014-SYS.—With due concurrence of Finance Department and approval of State Government the following new scheme is hereby formulated for Promotion of Adventure Activities, which comes into effect from the 1st April 2014.

Scheme for Promotion of Adventure Activities

1.0 Objective

- 1.1 To create and foster amongst the youth a spirit of risk-taking, co-operative team work, capacity of ready and vital response to challenging situations and of endurance.
- 1.2 To create and strengthen institutional structures in the State to support adventure activities
- 1.3 To recognize outstanding achievements of persons of the State in the field of adventure activities

2.0 Scheme Component

- 2.1 Adventure programme for youth inside Odisha
- 2.2 Adventure programme for youth outside Odisha
- 2.3 Financial Assistance to youth for undergoing training courses in adventure activities
- 2.4 Cash Award for outstanding achievement in adventure activities
- 2.5 Financial Assistance to Organizations engaged in promotion of adventure activities in Odisha for purchase of adventure sports gears/equipments and/or creation of adventure sports infrastructure.

3.0 Adventure programme for youth inside Odisha

- 3.1 (a) On Land : Coastal Trekking, Hill Trekking, Jungle Trekking, Rock Climbing, Trekking-cum-Jungle Safari, Mountaineering, Cycling in a difficult terrain, etc.
- (b) In Sea : Long Distance Swimming, Surfing, Board Sailing (Wind Surfing), Sailing, Snorkeling, Scuba Diving of elementary level, Sea Awareness, etc.
- (c) In River : Long Distance Swimming, River Rafting, Kayaking, Canoeing, etc.

(d) In Sky : Elementary Parasailing, Ballooning, Hot-Air Ballooning, Para-gliding, etc.

(e) Others : To be decided on merit of each adventure proposal

3.2 Eligibility Criteria :

(a) Student and Non-student Youth within the age group of 13—35 years sponsored by NSS, NYKS, Bharat Scout & Guides, NCC, Youth Red Cross, St. John Ambulance, District Administration, Civil Defense, Universities, Recognized Educational Institutions, etc.

(b) Each programme should preferably comprise of male and female participants in the ratio of 50 : 50 with a minimum of 1/3rd female participants.

(c) There will be an objective criteria for selection of participants for undertaking adventure activities which may include prior experience in adventure sports, excellence in sports, having the required physical fitness and endurance, etc.

(d) The sponsoring agencies shall depute two escorts both male and female for a group of 50 including the escorts.

(e) Each batch would consist of participants sponsored by a single agency

3.3 Executing Agency :

The Adventure activities within the State will be executed in association with NCC, Indian Coast Guard, Indian Navy/INS Chilika, local chapters of All India Organizations/Adventure Sports Federations conducting adventure sports recognized by Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of India, etc.

3.4 Pattern of Assistance :

(a) At the flat rate of Rs. 200 per day per head for the whole period of adventure activity including the journey days. The total duration of the activity including journey days should not exceed 7 days.

(b) Travel Expenses in public conveyance/Railways from the place of stay to the place of adventure activities/camp (subject to actual) maximum @ Rs. 750 per head.

(c) Hiring of equipment @ Rs. 500 per head for the camp/Actual hiring charges of equipment, whichever is lower.

(d) Contingency - 25% of the boarding and lodging for the camp/activities

4.0 Adventure programme for youth outside Odisha :

4.1 (a) On Land : Coastal Trekking, Hill Trekking, Jungle Trekking, Rock Climbing, Trekking-cum-Jungle Safari, Mountaineering, Cycling in a difficult terrain, etc.

(b) In Sea : Long Distance Swimming, Surfing, Board Sailing (Wind Surfing), Sailing, Snorkeling, Scuba Diving of elementary level, Sea Awareness, etc.

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4.3 Executing Agency :

All India Organizations recognized by Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India conducting such activities as National Adventure Club, National Adventure Foundation, etc. and Adventure Academies of other State Governments.

4.4 Pattern of Assistance :

- (a) Travel expenses from State headquarters to the place of adventure activities including cost towards insurance, journey D.A. and other miscellaneous expenditure @ Rs. 3,500 per participant.
- (b) Expenses towards conduct of adventure activities @ Rs. 10,000 per participants including lodging and boarding for 7 days activity.
- (c) Contingency - 2% of the total camp expenses

5.0 Financial assistance to youth for undergoing training courses in adventure activities :

5.1 Eligible youths interested for undergoing basic/advance training courses on adventure sports at institutions recognized by Indian Mountaineering Foundation (IMF), New Delhi and other Institutes recognized by Government of India will be provided with financial assistance for helping them to undertake the course.

5.2 Quantum of Financial Assistance :

- (a) Persons under BPL Category : 75% Course Fee plus an amount of Rs. 10,000 to meet travelling and other miscellaneous expenses.
- (b) Persons under BPL Category : 50% of the Course Fee plus an amount of Rs. 5,000 to meet travelling and other miscellaneous expenses.

5.3 Participants desirous of Financial Assistance for undergoing training courses in adventure activities shall apply to State Youth Welfare Board, Sports & Y. S. Department, Government

of Odisha accompanied with required documents and admission letter for the adventure courses. State Youth Welfare Board will bring out advertisement seeking application from intending applicants.

- 5.4 The Department of Sports & Youth Affairs/State Youth Welfare Board can also nominate any youth on its own or seek nominations from such other organizations/agencies as deemed fit for undergoing training courses in adventure sports.

6.0 Cash Award for outstanding achievement in Adventure activities in different categories

- 6.1 (a) For scaling Mt. Everest : Cash Award of Rs. 3 lakh will be given
 (b) For scaling Mountain peaks more than 8000 M : Cash Award of Rs. 2 lakh will be given
 (c) For scaling highest mountain peaks of different continents : Rs. 2 lakh will be given in each case.
 (d) Others : To be decided on merit of each case following due procedure. The maximum ceiling of award shall be Rs. 3 lakh.

6.2 Guidelines for Cash Award for Achievement in Adventure Activities

- (a) The Achiever has to be a resident of Odisha
 (b) There will be no age bar for giving Cash Award for Achievement in Adventure Activities
 (c) For consideration of the above Assistance the participant has to submit all relevant records, paper clippings and certificates.
 (d) The Department of Sports & Youth Affairs can also nominate any person on its own or seek nominations from such other organizations/agencies as are deemed fit, for this award.
 (e) No award will be given for a second time to the same person under same category
 (f) Cash Award will be given for the achievement made in the preceding calendar year (1st January—31st December).

6.3 Committee to consider proposals for Cash Award for Achievement in Adventure Activities.

A Committee under the Chairmanship of Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary, Sports & Y. S. with Director, Sports & Y. S., Dy. DG, NCC, Odisha, representative of local units of Indian Air Force or Indian Army or Indian Navy and one expert in Adventure Sports nominated by the Department of Sports & Y. S. will take a decision on proposals for Cash Award for Achievement in Adventure Activities.

7.0 Financial Assistance to organizations engaged in promotion of Adventure Activities in Odisha for purchase of adventure sports gears/equipments and/or creation of adventure sports infrastructure.

- (a) Financial Assistance for adventure sports gears/equipments will be provided to organizations engaged in promotion of Adventure Activities in Odisha like local chapters

of All India Organizations/Adventure Sports Federations conducting adventure sports recognized by Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India conducting such activities and other organizations engaged in promotion of adventure activities in Odisha.

- (b) Organizations desirous for seeking such assistance shall apply to State Youth Welfare Board, Sports & YS Department, Government of Odisha accompanied with required documents. State Youth Welfare Board will bring out advertisement seeking application from intending organizations for financial assistance for adventure sports/gears.
- (c) Department of Sports & YS/State Youth Welfare Board can on its own render such assistance, if the organization in its opinion is promoting adventure activities in Odisha.
- (d) A Committee under the chairmanship of Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary with Director, Sports & YS, AFA-*cum*-Under-Secretary, Department of Sports & YS, Joint Secretary, SYWB, representative of local units of NCC, Indian Air force or Indian Army or Indian Navy as the case may be depending on the nature of adventure sports/gears, as members will examine the proposals from such organizations for assistance.
- (e) The maximum ceiling would be Rs. 25,00,000. Mode of transfer of funds will be decided by Department of Sports & YS/State Youth Welfare Board.

8.0 Implementation, Monitoring & Supervision :

The Scheme will be implemented through State Youth Welfare Board. Monitoring & Supervision will be done by the Board as well as Department of Sports & Youth Services.

9.0 This Scheme comes into effect retrospectively from the 1st April 2014. The earlier scheme/ executive instructions, etc. here by stand repealed.

ORDER— Ordered that this Notification be published in the next issue of the *Odisha Gazette* and copies supplied to all Departments of Governments/all Heads of Departments/all Collectors/ all Superintendent of Police for information & necessary action.

By order of the Governor

SASWAT MISHRA

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary
Sports & Y. S. Department